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## Represents Miss. in Ridgecrest BTU Speaking Tourney

BY BILL LACY



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(Editor's Note: Given below is the speech which took place in the State Young People's Speaking Tournament which was promoted by the Training Union. The speech was given by Bill Lacy, of the

### SBC COOP. PROGRAM PASSES \$5,000,000

Nashville, Tenn. (BP)—Southern Baptists have given over five million dollars to Convention causes and agencies through the Cooperative Program since January, according to the monthly report coming from the office of Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, at the end of July. The Cooperative Program receipts for July, \$699,234, brought the total thus far in the year to \$5,145,668 an increase of \$558,694 or 12.18 per cent over the total amount given at the same time in 1951.

July's receipts enabled this year's budget distributions to move from the operating budgets of the Convention's agencies and institutions to the capital needs allocations.

All but three of the twenty-three cooperating states and territories have increased Cooperative Program gifts this year over last year. All of the states increased their designated gifts channeled through the Executive Committee office.

Designated gifts for the seven months totaling \$4,355,201, an increase of 21.34 per cent over 1951, brought the grand total of gifts coming through the Nashville office by July 31 to \$9,500,869. This is 16.2 per cent, or \$1,324,561 more than the total gifts through July last year.

## Don't Be Misled

A recent editorial in a Mississippi daily stated that all but two states, Mississippi and Oklahoma, were wet. The editor argued that Mississippi should therefore repeal its prohibition laws because the majority of the states had done so.

This editor did not tell all the facts. He should have stated that many counties and townships have become disgusted with legal liquor and have voted dry. In fact, Henry Edmonds, executive secretary of Mississippi's United Drys, states that 40 per cent of the nation as a whole is dry by local option.

Billy Graham, who recently led a great revival in Jackson and who has had experience in both wet and dry states, declared that Mississippi conditions were far better than in legal liquor states. Said Billy: "Keep Mississippi legally dry! If you think anything of your families and children, you will go to the polls and vote to keep Mississippi dry."

He pointed to other cities and areas which have legalized liquor and declared, "you can't compare Jackson with any of them. You won't have one-tenth as much drunkenness and drinking as you will in legalized liquor spots. I have found that in cities where there is no legal liquor, despite some bootlegging that may go on, there is far less drunkenness and drinking than in those cities where liquor is legal."

## Woman's College Endowment Campaign Set-Up Completed

By DR. JOHN E. BARNES, JR.  
General Chairman  
Woman's College Endowment  
Campaign

As chairman of the church organizational phase of Mississippi Woman's College campaign, I am happy to announce to the Baptist churches of Mississippi the organizational personnel setup for the promotion of the October 12 endowment collection.

Everywhere we have been we have met with a fine response. I want to express my own appreciation to the men who have so willingly volunteered to help in the leadership positions of the state-

wide organization. The state has been organized in eight districts with district chairmen and county chairmen under each district chairman, and through them all pastors are asked to form a local church committee to make sure that the Baptist constituency are properly informed concerning the Woman's College endowment program. Each pastor has been asked to give enthusiastic support of the campaign in the proper motivation of the church members, to the end

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## FIND YOUR NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS Tells How To Write, What To Say

BY ALLEN W. GRAVES  
Pastor Immanuel Church,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

### GIVE YOUTH A CHANCE

Pastors and church leaders are urged to give the Youth of the Church a chance to be of service in the Referendum election on liquor on August 26. Our Youth have a vital stake in this issue. They realize that they will reap the harvest of what is done in Mississippi with reference to legalizing liquor. Our Youth are wide awake and WANT TO BE USED. The following suggestions are made to pastors and leaders as the best way to utilize the energy and enthusiasm of the Youth in each local church.

1. Call your young people together and give the facts! Get them informed.

2. Have them make posters, etc., for display in local store windows. (The Youth of New Albany have a large banner stretched across main street)

3. Cards are being prepared for distribution. It is suggested that your Youth divide into teams of two and spend the day of August 26th distributing these cards. These cards and the whole idea has come from the youth themselves. The card reads as follows:

#### I CAN'T VOTE

My Future Is In Your Hands  
For My Sake And Yours  
Vote DRY On August 26th

We believe that if the youth of each community are given a chance to pass out these cards on Aug. 25th, it will do more good than a dozen youth rallies, etc.

You may order these cards from Mr. Henry Edmonds, director United Drys, 417 East Capitol St., Jackson, Miss., or Rev. W. S. Cameron, Box 2483, West Jackson, Miss.

Twenty-six per cent of Southern Baptist church members are non-resident. That is, they live too far away from their home church to participate in its work and worship regularly. Yet, as long as these people keep their names on the roll of the home church that church has an inescapable responsibility to minister to them. We would think parasites heartless brutes who would disclaim responsibility for their children. We believe God is holding his church responsible for those who have united with their fellowship.

Accepting this responsibility for the non-resident members, our first problem is to

#### I. FIND THEM

We suggest that a non-resident fellowship committee be appointed immediately in every church. This group, made up preferably of long-time church members, should survey the entire church roll correcting names, addresses, and dividing the roll into resident and non-resident groups as information available makes possible. In many cases the out of town addresses will be available for many of the absentee members. In other cases the committee members will know of relatives, friends, former employers, etc who can furnish leads for securing of correct mailing addresses for most of the non-resident members. This work must be continued until every possible address has been secured.

Do not overlook the assistance that the Post Office can give. A church policy of securing the new addresses of members before dropping their names from the Sunday School rolls will help keep the records up to date.

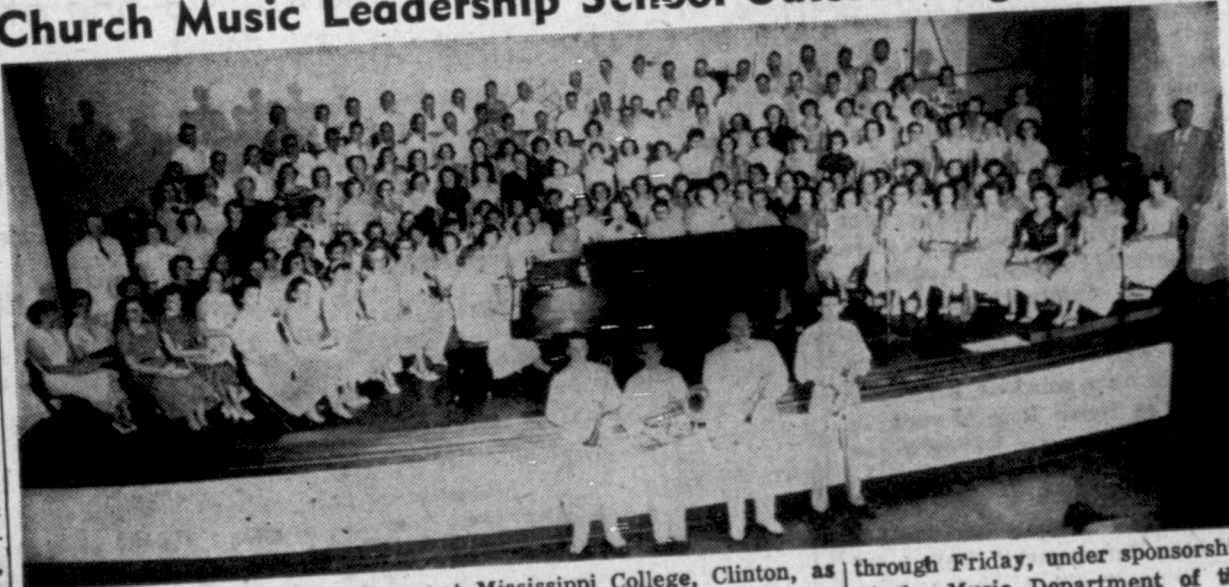
#### II. WRITE THEM

In the light of the Southern Baptist Plan for Transfer Church membership Week for September 14-21, we suggest that a letter be sent now to all those non-resident members. This cordial letter should express the continuing concern of the home church for the spiritual welfare of its members wherever they may be. Encourage them to unite with the Baptist church in the community where they are now residing. Enclose a card or letter to be returned asking specifically about the name and address of the nearest Baptist church and its pastor, whether they have attended or joined there or another church, and what their plans are.

This letter should result in a number requesting letters. After the cards from the non-resident members have been returned, write

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## Church Music Leadership School Outstanding Success



A 175-voice choir, shown above, under direction of Dr. J. Campbell Wray of Ft. Worth, Texas, presented last Friday night a sacred concert in Nelson Hall Auditorium

at Mississippi College, Clinton, as the closing feature of the Church Music Leadership School. An enrollment of 232 was recorded in the school held last week, Monday

through Friday, under sponsorship of the Music Department of the State Convention Board, Jackson, of which W. C. Morgan is secretary.

FRANK GARRISON,  
J. B. LAWRENCE,  
Secretary-Treasurer



## WET AND DRY TACTICS PLACED IN CONTRAST

Henry Edmonds, executive director of the United Dry Association of Mississippi, Thursday took cognizance of the recent barrage of newspaper advertising and compared it with the campaign being carried on by the dry forces under his leadership.

"The first of the wet newspaper ads broke on Monday, August 4. For more than ten days prior to that time we had known of their organized activity over the state, and the stuff that they broke last Monday was almost identical with my predictions in a speech at Decatur on Friday night, August 1. I told the people at that time, 'Their organization will have some high sounding name like Citizens Committee for Legal Control or People's League for Home Rule or some such high sounding name as that, and that they would represent themselves as being neither wet nor dry, but would seek to capitalize on the current popularity of States' Rights in Mississippi, and would harp on the idea of a state secret police or gestapo in event the vote was dry! I said then that when they heard my predictions and then read the newspaper ads of the wets they would think I had been looking through their keyhole. I was nearer right than I realized.

"I have seen strange developments in campaigns in my time," Edmonds stated, "But this is the first time I have ever heard of a referendum election with no wets in it! One of their ads carried a sign board with one arm entitled 'False Issues' and the other one entitled 'Home Rule' and all of their advertising urges that Home Rule is the 'Only issue in the August 26 election. It will Not be a vote for or against legal liquor.' Talk about false issues and deliberately attempting to mislead the people! Let me compare the two campaigns for you.

"In the first place, all during the legislative fight and up until the last few days the wet press of Mississippi has referred to this campaign as a 'wet vs. dry' election. Typical of this is a newspaper story on June 30 in a local newspaper, 'Mississippians to Vote on Liquor Repeal' and one as late as August 1, 1952, 'Charcoal Dries vs. Soggy Wets.' That same paper carried a straw vote ballot entitled, 'How Do You Vote? Wet or Dry? Mark one, clip and mail to Wet-Dry Poll Editor' but yesterday and again today I noticed that the ballot has changed to 'How do You Vote? For Legal Control of Liquor or Against Legal Control of Liquor? Mark one, clip and mail to' followed by the name of the newspaper. In other words up to this point everybody, including the wet press of Mississippi, has taken this to be a referendum liquor election when suddenly along comes somebody masquerading under the high sounding name of 'Citizens Committee for Home Rule and Local Law Enforcement,' whose interest in this election is not quite clear and advises us that we've been mistaken all the time, seeks to

drag a red herring across the trail and, bless my soul, if the wet press doesn't take up the cry immediately.

"The dry forces throughout this campaign have sought only to give the people the facts about the liquor traffic. The liquor traffic, not so-called Home Rule, is the issue in this campaign, and no fiddle-diddle or appeals to prejudice will confuse the people very much about that.

"Last Sunday, August 3, in speeches at Columbia and Raleigh I challenged the wets to come on out in the open. I told them that if there was any good thing to be said about the liquor traffic, the people were entitled to know it. I challenged them not to wait until the last minute, too late for us to check their sources, to give us this information, since all of our material has been public property for nearly two months. Unless they feel that their advertising barrage answered that challenge they have not replied. Certainly, the stuff which they have had in the papers does not attempt to give us any information, but seeks rather to dodge the true issue in this campaign, and I challenge them again for any good thing that can be said for the legal liquor traffic.

"Finally, the wets have made a



tremendous noise about an alleged 'war chest' of \$100,000 that the dries have. They have urged radio and newspaper people all over the state to make us pay through the notice for what we get. Actually they figure was a budget, adopted strictly on paper, and we have had about 10 per cent of it in actual funds! The wets, on the other hand, opened their advertising campaign with aids statewide — which cost them in the neighborhood of \$12,000. They have continued with approximately \$150 worth each day in each of the daily papers in the state. What their newspaper budget must be is apparent. In addition we understand that their radio budget will run from \$30,000 to \$40,000.

"That brings me to this pertinent question: Did you know that there are patriotic citizens in Mississippi, absolutely disinterested in legal whiskey as such, neither wet nor dry in sentiment, but interested solely in some nebulous, hazy thing known as Home Rule to such an extent that they are willing to put up untold thousands of dollars to promote the work of the Citizens Committee for Home Rule and Local Law Enforcement? Well, I did not know it either, and I don't have to tell the people of Mississippi where that tremendous fund of money is coming from, nor will

### Woman's College

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that this effort shall meet with complete success.

It has been Baptist experience that when they have set a program and have met with proper leadership they have always succeeded in collective effort. We are listing below the roster of personnel leadership of the Baptist Convention setup of Mississippi for the Woman's College endowment collection, October 12:

District I, Chairman, G. Norman Price, Jackson;

#### County Chairmen:

Madison, W. P. Davis, Flora; Holmes, C. M. Day, Durant; Yazoo, W. C. Fields, Yazoo City; Rankin, Carey Cox, Brandon; Warren, O. Lee Chambers, Vicksburg; Simpson, J. B. Smith, Magee; Copiah, R. C. Holcomb, Hazlehurst; Hinds, Wayne E. Todd, Jackson.

District II, Chairman, Ira D. Eavenson, Marks.

#### County Chairmen:

Leflore, Otis Seal, Itta Bena; Sharkey-Issaquena, Ollie Bryant, Cary; Quitman, Ira D. Eavenson, Marks; Sunflower, M. G. Reedy, Ruleville; Coahoma, C. C. Carraway, Clarksdale; Bolivar, W. C. Sledge, Shaw; Tunica, Henning Andrews, Lula; Humphreys, A. E. Lucas, Louise; Washington, M. E. Perry, Greenville.

District III, Chairman, F. V. McFatrige, Coldwater

#### County Chairmen:

Calhoun, J. B. Middleton, Bruce; Carroll, W. Martin Smith, Carrollton; DeSoto, Grant Clark, Hernan-

do; Grenada, R. B. Smiarth, Hardy; Lafayette, J. P. Brewer, Oxford; Marshall, M. C. Whitten, Hernando; Montgomery, C. B. Hamlet III, Winona; Panola, Tracey Barnett, Como; Tate, F. V. McFatrige, Coldwater; Yalobusha; Bynum Basden, Coffeeville.

District IV, Chairman, C. W. Thompson, Aberdeen

#### County Chairmen:

Alcorn, D. L. Hill, Corinth; Benton-Prentiss, J. D. Thompson, Booneville; Chickasaw, B. L. Mohon, Okolona; Itawamba - Tishomingo, J. W. Kitchens, Burnsville; Lee, Don Reed, Tupelo; Monroe, C. W. Thompson, Aberdeen; Pontotoc, George Eden, Pontotoc; Union, J. R. Davis, New Albany.

District V, Chairman, S. R. Woodson, Columbus.

#### County Chairmen:

Noxubee, J. B. Riley, Brooks-ville; Lowndes, Boyd Armstrong, Columbus; Clay, Carey Sansing, West Point; Oktibbeha, Wilburn Smith, Starkville; Winston, James Fairchild, Louisville; Webster, J. W. Nolan, Stewart; Choctaw, S. M. Brown, Ackerman; Attala, A. B. Pierce, Kosciusko.

District VI, Chairman, David Q. Bryd, Jr., Meridian

#### County Chairmen:

Smith, W. A. Keel, Taylorsville; Scott, J. F. Brantley, Forest; Newton, R. A. Morris, Newton; Lauderdale, Jack Southerland, Meridian; Clarke, Solie Smith, Stonewall; Kemper, D. L. Stennis, Meridian; Neshoba, James F. Kirkendall, Philadelphia.

District VII, Chairman, T. R. McKibbens, Laurel

#### County Chairmen:

Covington, Byron Mathis, Seminary; Forrest, Clyde Bryan, Hat-

tiesburg; Jones, T. R. McKibbens, Laurel; George, Van Hardin, Lucedale; Greene-Wayne, Virgil Ratcliff, Waynesboro; Perry, W. M. Averett, Richton; Jackson, W. L. Stagg, Jr., Moss Point; Hancock, Harrison, Joe T. Odle, Gulfport; Pearl River, John Maddox, Pica-yune; Lamar, J. W. Wood, Lumberton; Stone, W. L. Warren, Wiggins.

District VIII, Chairman, Brookhaven, H. Wester, Brookhaven

#### County Chairmen:

Lincoln, A. W. Talbert, Brookhaven; Walthall, Vernon May, Ty-lertown; Amite-Wilkinson, Roy Col-lum, Liberty; Marion, A. L. Gate-wood, Columbia; Jeff Davis, L. R. Green, Prentiss; Franklin-Adams, B. T. Bishop, Meadville; Jefferson, George Moseley, Fayette; Claiborne, A. A. Ward, Port Gibson; Pike, W. T. Douglas, Magnolia; Lawrence, Jesse Watkins, New Hebron.

—BR—

Among the recent visitors at the Baptist Building were: W. L. Se-vell, Bossier City, La.; Rev. L. C. Pinnix, Jackson; Rev. R. S. Parker, Phoenix; Rev. Clarence Young, Clinton; Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Reid, Lucedale; William Reid, Lucedale; Catherine Morrison, Jackson; Robert L. Cooper, Sr., Aberdeen; Rev. W. W. Grafton, Hattiesburg; Rev. Theo. E. Lee, Raymond; Freida Fraxler, Utica; Gloria Pickett, Utica; Jeocy Templeton, Utica; Dixie Durbin, Utica; Connie Newman, Utica; Mrs. J. E. McCarty, Utica; Rev. A. W. Talbert, Brookhaven; Hugh Tidwell, Jackson, and Lula H. Norris, Sun-flower.

the people be fooled about the issues in this campaign." Vote the Bottom Line Against Legal Whiskey on August 26.

## What else offers YOU so much?

CHRISTIAN NURSING—one of the noblest of God-called Ministries

"If you are a young woman between the ages 17-25 years, a high school graduate, and desirous of having more information about enrolling as a Student Nurse, write to:

SCHOOL OF NURSING

**Mississippi Baptist Hospital**  
Jackson, Mississippi

"It is not too late to enter next class beginning September 1st"



Thursday, August 14, 1932

## Don't Be Misled

The Wets are saying that the only question to be decided by the August 26 Liquor Referendum is Home Rule.\* But read the quotation below from the Liquor Referendum bill:

"Provided, however, that if a majority of the qualified electors voting vote for the proposition as submitted, said vote shall be a mandate to the legislature to set up a controlled system for the whole state."

It is true that the vote on August 26 does not repeal the present laws, but it will be instructions to the legislature to do something. And that something is . . .

Set up a controlled system for the WHOLE STATE.

Remember you are voting on liquor.

—BR—

## A Golden Opportunity

For years throughout the state of Mississippi we have heard people bemoaning the fact that in certain sections law enforcement was lax. We now have an opportunity for better enforcement of our liquor laws.

The liquor referendum to be held on August 26 carries a condition that in case a majority of the people vote against the legalization of liquor, that such a vote will be a mandate to the legislature "to set up a sufficient enforcement agency to carry out the provisions of such a mandate."

If there were no other reason to vote dry on August 26, that is a sufficient one. Let's vote dry and then see if the legislature meant what it said.

Let's put it up to the legislature to give us better law enforcement and then if prohibition fails, they will have a reason for saying that it won't work. They claim that they will give us better enforcement if we vote dry. Let's do it and see if they give us better enforcement laws.

This is a golden opportunity either to get laws for better enforcement or to show somebody up.

—BR—

## Regulation Fails

The wets have repeatedly claimed that legalization is the solution to the liquor problem.

We have called attention to the failure of legalization wherever tried, and asked the wets to name one state where conditions are better under legalization than under prohibition.

Recently we cited an editorial from a wet Kansas paper declaring that legalization had failed in Kansas. We also called attention to the fact that it costs six times as much for liquor in Massachusetts as the taxes received there-



from.

We can now come nearer home. In practice, Natchez has had legal liquor for years. And what are the results.

There is an unbelievable volume of filth in Natchez. Many establishments debauching teen-agers, some of whom are not more than twelve years old," says County Judge Walter D. Coleman.

Newspapers report that the anger was stirred because a 15-year-old girl was brought into court drunk, raped, and probably doped.

Newspapers report City Alderman Bernard P. Wood has admitted that the situation in Natchez and Adams county is worse than it has ever been, admitting that many places are selling liquor to teen-agers.

Conditions such as those described in Natchez and Adams County are the conditions to be expected under legalized liquor, whether in Mississippi or anywhere else. There is nothing good about liquor. A vote for liquor on August 26 is a vote for such conditions, for they inevitably come; sometimes sooner, and sometimes later, but they come.

But we are told that this election is only to determine whether or not the counties may vote for or against liquor. Don't kid yourself. The question is legalization or non-legalization.

We quote below a paragraph from the liquor bill:

"Provided, however, that if a majority of the qualified electors voting vote for the proposition as submitted, said vote shall be a mandate to the legislature to set up a control system for the whole state. (Note that it says WHOLE state.) Provided further, that if a

majority of the qualified voters voted against the proposition as submitted, said vote shall be a mandate to the legislature to set up a sufficient enforcement agency to carry out the provisions of such mandate."

Another defect of this bill is that you do not know what bill you are voting for, you are simply voting for or against liquor with the hope that the legislature will enact a law that you can agree with.

Much is being made of the fact that we should allow the counties to decide whether or not they want legal liquor. Why the discrimination? Are we going to allow the counties also to vote whether they want other laws or not?

We have read in recent papers that the game and fish laws are being violated in some sections. We have also seen cattle on the highways in some sections. Quite often people pass us in speeding beyond the legal limit. Are we going to let each county vote whether or not they want the stock law? Shall we let each county vote whether or not they want the fish and game laws, as they are now written?

Why should we have liquor laws on a county basis and others on a state basis?

Furthermore, if it were made on a county basis they would soon ask that it be put on a town basis, and later on perhaps on a family basis.

Remember when they legalized beer on the county basis? That was all in the world they wanted. Let each county vote as they so desire. But recently they have put through the legislature a bill allowing cities and other sections

to vote on beer. The same would be true of the liquor business.

Remember the question is legal liquor or prohibition.

—BR—

## A Good Idea

The editor of "Our Sunday Visitor," national Catholic weekly newspaper, told the Catholic Press Association that Roman Catholics should make every effort to get their publications into the hands of non-Catholics. He urged pastors to remind their parishioners about once each month to hand their Catholic periodicals to a non-Catholic acquaintance.

We commend the above suggestion from the editor of "Our Sunday Visitor."

When you have finished with your Baptist Record, pass it on to others. If the Baptist Record is good reading for you, it will be good reading for other people.

—BR—

## Our Readers Write

Dear Editor:

I was in the thick of the liquor fight 1 year ago and am well acquainted with every trick the Wets had then. There are now two new conditions that they did not have then.

1. It has been 18 years since a real prohibition fight has been before the people. Previous to that time prohibition was, in some form, an issue in almost every statewide election and the voters had been trained on the evils of the open sale of alcohol in the community. There are many thousands of children, three to six years old 18 years ago, who are voters today and open to the persuasive manne rand arguments of the Wets and not acquainted with their crafty methods and manners on the Temperance issue.

2. A second condition which will be used by the Wets is the old age pension. You may rest assured that the Wets will see all the old people and their kinsfolk and those with whom the old people stay and all the old people's friends and advise them to vote for the open sale of alcohol to get more money with which to enable the legislature to increase their old age pension. A large number of these old people and their kindred would, if not confronted with hope of more government pension money, vote a dry ticket. We need to inform the old people and everybody else that legalizing liquor is not going to increase our income for it is going to cost more in the long run than the money derived from legalizing liquor.

Respectfully yours,  
S. J. PURVIS,

Blue Springs.

COMMENT: Mr. Purvis was a member of the legislature 18 years ago and was chairman of the Liquor Traffic Committee.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

August 10, 1952		
Jackson, Parkway	952	462
Jackson, Parkway Chapel	180	146
Jackson, North Side	560	152
Jackson, Crestwood	554	329
Jackson, Calvary	1303	347
Jackson, Calvary Mis.	54	58
Jackson, First	1340	449
Main Church	1192	395
Broadmoor Chapel	148	54
Jackson, Van Winkle	474	278
Van Winkle Mission	45	42
Jackson, Southside	335	165
Jackson, Daniel Mem.	555	289
Corinth, Tate Street	311	68
Main Church	259	
Mission	52	
Paul Truitt (Rankin Co.)	221	112
Richland (Rankin Co.)	169	109
Meridian, Poplar Spgs. Dr.	339	116
Hernando	180	125
McComb, East	352	171
Yazoo City, First	415	224
New Prospect		
(Lincoln Co.)	202	159
Philadelphia, First	497	105
Center Ridge (Yazoo Co.)	154	122
McComb, Friendship	199	98
Glenfield (Union Co.)	156	147
Laurel Highland	158	89
Good Hope (Perry Co.)	115	155
Kosciusko, First	650	195
Pleasant Ridge		
(Chickasaw Co.)	91	96
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	121	74
Pearlhaven (Lincoln Co.)	147	66
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	90	46
Hattiesburg, Temple	530	131
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	92	65
Union (Walthall Co.)	135	116
McComb, South	238	67
Magee Creek		
(Walthall Co.)	128	114
Woodville	148	83
Calhoun City, First	325	134
Chester (Choctaw Co.)	76	
Concord (Choctaw Co.)	103	131
Meridian, South Side	326	137
Laurel, West	422	96
Mission	30	
Crystal Springs, First	719	179
Union (Alcorn Co.)	74	150
Moak's Creek (Lincoln Co.)	170	110
Vicksburg, First	574	145
Purvis, First	190	79
Cranfield	86	66
Lucedale	355	143
Harperville	180	131
New Hope (Marion Co.)	210	161
PetalHarvey	329	162
Sandersville	124	90
Picayune, Roseland Park	163	104
Laurel, First	527	151
Laurel, Second Ave.	402	100
Louisville, First	451	162
Louisville, East	55	36
Louisville, South	53	51
Louisville, West End	55	70
Zion (Pontotoc Co.)	144	75
Gulfport, First	782	227
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	86	98
Columbus, First	702	220
Newton	354	180
Enterprise (Clarke Co.)	184	96
Meridian, Oakland Hts.	222	80
Itta Bena, First	213	98
Gulfport, New Hope	97	49
Brookhaven, First	857	299
Main Church	716	195
Hamilton	91	49
Southway	50	55
Pascagoula, First	761	275
Main School	602	194
McArthur Mission	54	16
Jackson Ave. Mission	45	30
Orange Grove Mission	44	35
River View Mission	16	
Raleigh	187	91
August 3, 1952		
Logtown	75	12
Brookhaven, First	829	364
Main	658	247



REPRESENTATIVES of the missions committee of the Hinds County Baptist Association are pictured here with the Rev. Fred A. Tarpley, Tennessee, newly-elected associational missionary, (left to right) Mrs. A. L. Goodrich, Hubert G. Street, Rev. W. L. Compere, chairman of the missions group; Rev. Tarpley, J. A. Travis and E. L. Herring. Other members of the committee were not present for the picture. (Photo by Cliff Bingham, Clarion-Ledger staff photographer).

## Hinds Association Calls Fred Tarpley To Be Missionary

Rev. Fred A. Tarpley, pastor of the Island Home Church of Knoxville, Tenn., has accepted the call to become associational missionary of the Hinds county Association and will begin his duties Sept. 1. He is a native Tennessean, a graduate of the University of Tennessee and the Louisville Seminary, according to Rev. W. L. Compere of Jackson, committee chairman.

During the last year of his Island Home pastorate he baptized 77. Previously, the Rev. Mr. Tarpley held pastorates in Tennessee and Kentucky.

There are 36 Baptist churches in the Hinds County Association and he will have headquarters in Jackson.

The Rev. Mr. Tarpley is married and has three sons. Mrs. Tarpley is a graduate of the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville.

In calling the Rev. Mr. Tarpley, Hinds county joins the more than 22 associations in the state that have associational missionaries.

—BR—

Olive Church in Pearl River County will have a revival August 17-22. Rev. S. P. Powell of Caesar Church, Picayune, will be the evangelist. Rev. John H. Hurt is pastor. Mr. Lee Lassiter will be in charge of the music program. The Hurt quarter will be featured each evening. Lunch will be served on the church grounds Sunday, August 17.

Rev. Donald E. Wainwright, music director of the Mount Olive Church since November, has been called by the church to serve as supply pastor.

Pastor R. L. Ray, Jr., has just closed a revival meeting at Arbor Grove, Chickasaw county. There were eleven additions, ten by baptism. He is now engaged in a meeting at Wallfield with Pastor John Andrews.

Rev. Jeff Brantley, pastor of the Forest church will do the preaching during the revival to be held at Mt. Zion Church in Franklin County, August 17-22. Rev. James N. Dykes is pastor.

## Sparks & Splinters

Rev. Harold Shirley was ordained to the Gospel ministry by the Highland Church in Meridian, Aug. 14. He is a member of the church, but has been called to a church in Kentucky and will continue his studies at the Louisville Seminary.

Byron G. Mason and Jack Knott were ordained as Deacons at the Ruth Church Sunday, August 17. Rev. John W. Flowers, pastor of Shady Grove Church, preached the ordination sermon, which was followed by the laying on of hands. Rev. Lewis Krause, pastor of Whitecastle Church, Whitecastle, La., delivered the Charge. Rev. James L. Travis, pastor of Central Church, Brookhaven, responded with the charge to the church. Rev. Ben Borders, pastor of the Ruth Church presided.

We, the young people of Poplarville who want our lives to count for Christ, urge you to vote against liquor. For a better community, a better state, and a better nation vote dry on August 26. Signed by 25 young people.

Walnut Church in Quitman County has recently closed a revival during which 107 decisions were made. There were 38 additions, 29 by baptism. The new pastor, Rev. Ervin Brown baptized these on his first Sunday night in the Walnut pastorate.

Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building were members of a Royal Ambassador Band of the First Church, Jackson. They were: Jimmie Marrs, Paul McClellan, Tommy Pierce, Eugene Mills, and Buster Stubblefield. Visiting with them were Misses Shirley Ruth Meek, Elaine Booth and Olive Hewitt, sponsors.

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The regular Associational Workers Conference of Perry County will meet Friday night, Aug. 15, at Buck Creek Church.

There were 10 decisions, three of which were by profession of faith, during the recent revival held at Pocahontas Church in Hinds County. Rev. Don Land, of Jackson, was the evangelist. Rev. Theodore E. Lea, pastor, led the singing.

There were 25 additions, 24 by baptism, during the recent revival held at Crooked Creek Church in Lawrence county. Rev. Allan Johnson, pastor of the Emmanuel Church in Vicksburg was the visiting evangelist. Pastor H. E. Keen, Jr., led the singing.

Rev. Artis Brewer, pastor of Edon Church, was the evangelist during the revival at Clear Creek, July 20-25. There was one profession of faith. Rev. T. C. Anthony is the pastor.

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## M'DONALD ADDS 11 GOES HALF-TIME



REV. C. D. CANADY

McDonald Church has voted to go from quarter-time to half-time under the leadership of Rev. C. D. Canady, student at Clarke College.

Three have been elected as deacons and will be ordained soon.

The church has just closed a revival in which 11 were added to the membership, nine on profession of faith. This was the most to be added in the last five years. Pastor Canady led in the revival.

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

### Weathersby

For the second year in succession we were invited to lead in the annual revival services at Weathersby Church. And for the first time in our life we preached where the day services were held at 6:30 a. m., and it worked! More men attended than last year when the day services were held at 11 a. m. And it was much cooler than at eleven o'clock.

Rev. B. E. Craft is the pastor. During the past year he has led the church to improve the building and install new pews and a fan. There were two additions by baptism.

Record readers in Simpson county are now listed as follows:

ANTIOCH 23, Athens 1, Beulah 7, BRAXTON 49, Coats 11, Campbells Creek 12, D'LO 36, FORK (Bethlehem) 47, Goodwater 6, HARRISVILLE 41, HOLLEY GROVE 25, MACEDONIA 59, MAGEE 211, MENDENHALL 120, MT. ZION 85, NEW HOPE 39, OAK GROVE 58, PINE GROVE 23, PINOLA 57, PLEASANT HILL 62, PLEASANT VALLEY 35, SHIVERS 30, SILOAM 28, STONEWALL 30, STRONG RIVER 37, and WEATHERSBY 39.

### Providence, Franklin Co.

We had the privilege of preaching during the annual revival at Providence Church in Franklin county, Rev. W. A. (Slick) Greene has been pastor for nearly 30 years. However the 30 years have not been continuous.

The meeting was preceded by much preparation including prayers, visitation, a study course in soul-winning and preaching by the pastor with the meeting in mind.

Good crowds were on hand for the morning services and full houses were present for each night service.

There were 9 for baptism and several rededications.

Plans are being made to build new Sunday School rooms and install new pews. The rooms are necessary because of overcrowded conditions. The Sunday School attendance is almost equal to the resident church membership.

Baptist Record subscribers in Franklin County are now listed as follows: BUDE, 51; CONCORD, 75; DAMASCUS, 41; HAMBURG, 22; HOPEWELL, 20; LUCIEN, 40; McCall Creek, 17; MEADVILLE, 49; MT. ZION, 24; New Hope, 7; NEW SALEM, 31; PROVIDENCE, 46; QUENTIN, 22; RAMAH, 43; ROXIE, 61; SAREPTA, 32; SILOAM, 39; Spring Hill 2.

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## THE BAPTIST RECORD

Thursday, August 14, 1952

## Represents Miss.

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Poplar Springs Church, Meridian, who represented Mississippi in the Southwide Speaking Tournament at Ridgecrest this summer. His subject was "Christ is Above All".

It is a bold thing to say that Christ is above all. Broad and pre-tentious is the claim that one man is above all men. Especially is this true when one considers all those who, with their superlative achievements, have written their names eternally on history's pages.

Look with me, if you will, back through the corridors of time at all the immortals whose hallowed names shall live forever because of their enduring accomplishments. Think of the great philosophers, Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle; men who were masters in discerning the wisdom of the universe. Call to mind those never to be forgotten poets, Byron, Keats, Burns, and Shelley, who could so well translate into words their thoughts and emotions. Undimmed by time are the writings of Horace, Vergil, and Homer. We but have to turn our radio dials to hear the resounding melodies of Brahms, Bach, Beethoven, and Mozart. Still ringing in the galleries are the dynamic addresses of Daniel Webster and William Jennings Bryan. We live in a great land today because of the inventions of Bell, Edison, Morse, Ford, and others. Towering volumes have been written about the victories of Julius Caesar, Alexander the Great and Napoleon. Many are there whose names should be at the top or near the top in the fields in which they worked.

Yet, my friends, above all these, there is One who is far greater. There is One who not only outlived all the others, but above all he outlived them. There never was anyone like him before; there never has been anyone like him since. He is an incomparable, immutable force in history. Today he is the centerpiece of the human race. He is Jesus Christ, the immaculate Son of Almighty God.

Christ is above all as the Eternal Son of God. He is co-equal, co-existent, co-eternal and God himself.

Christ is above all as the virgin-born Son of Man. His birth not only was one of miraculous nature but also a turning point in history.

Christ is above all as the only perfect man that ever lived. Well has Dr. Truett said, "The standing challenge of Jesus to mankind is, 'Which of you convicteth me of sin?' and the universal response to that challenge is stated in the language of Pilate, 'I find no fault in him.'"

Christ is above all as history's matchless teacher. Socrates taught for forty years, Plato for fifty, and Aristotle for forty, and Jesus for only three. Yet he shed more light on things human and divine than all the philosophers and scholars.

As one has stated, "Christ never wrote a book, yet he set in motion more pens and furnished material for more works of art, songs of praise, learned volumes, sermons and orations, than all the hosts of immortals."

When the officers, in the long

## 1953 Calendar To Be Ready Soon

By REV. JOE ABRAMS

State Director of Promotion  
A tentative 1953 calendar of activities will be published soon in the Baptist Record.

Compiling the various dates of statewide and southwide importance is now underway and the calendar will be published as soon as finished.

Since all the 1953 dates are not now available the calendar will not be absolutely complete, but will be complete enough to be of value to those planning programs for next year.

ago, sent a group of men to arrest him, they returned saying, "Never man spoke like this man." Small wonder is it that Daniel Webster, after reading the Sermon on the Mount, rose up with a pale face and trembling voice, and said, "More than any mere man has spoken these words."

It has been said that the music of Beethoven lifted the mortal up, that the playing of Mozart brought the Angels down. The One above all did both — yea, as Jean Paul Richter said, "... He lifted empires off their hinges and turned the stream of centuries backwards in their channel."

William Jennings Bryan stirred the hearts of men with his brilliant oratory, but Christ, in the midst of a storm tossed sea, spoke to the elements in all their fury, and there was a calm serenity as on a moonlit night.

Christ, without money and arms, rather with love, has conquered more millions than Alexander, Caesar, and Napoleon combined.

Even in death Christ surpassed all the others. He was the one man who did not have to die and yet he willingly subjected himself to the ignominious death of the cross so that all men for all time might be saved.

Christ is above all in his birth. Christ is above all in his life. Christ is above all in his death.

Because of who he was and what he did, and because of who he is and what he can do, his life forbids all classifications. The best I can say of him is totally inadequate. One feels as an artist attempting to paint a thousand hued sunset with a charcoal pencil.

For Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. He is above all others to a degree beyond measure.

I know because he is my Lord and my Saviour.

1. Truett, George W., A Quest for Souls, (Nashville, Broadman, 1917) p. 108.

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The Wayland College World Mission Teams, now on tour, appeared on Wednesday night of this week at the First Church of Yazoo City, Dr. W. C. Fields, pastor.

## Find Your

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to the pastors of the churches near by, asking them to contact your members and invite them to join the church there. If your members do not return the information card, secure the name of the pastor from the State or Southern Baptist Convention annual, or simply address your letter to "Pastor, Baptist Church," in the place where the member is living.

In several of the western states the State Secretaries of Missions are asking that those names be sent to them, since, very often, there may not be Southern Baptist Church in the communities. The states and the addresses are found in the leaflet recently distributed to all pastors.

At the time of the special emphasis week, September 14-21, you can write a second letter to all non-resident members urging that now is the time for them to unite with the local Baptist church. Enclose a copy of the church covenant, circling in red that pledge to unite with another church when one moves from the community.

Don't give up. Keep trying to get addresses for those previously unavailable. Keep the committee in your church active the year round, working on this problem. Write additional letter about every three months urging non-resident members to do their Christian duty by transferring their church membership. Ask their relatives and their friends to write them urging them to move their membership to a Baptist church close by. Where no Baptist churches are to be found, challenge the non-resident members to organize a new Baptist Church. Correct the church rolls who have already joined Baptist or other churches.

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## Press Assistant Resigns

Nashville, Tenn. —(BP)— Miss Carolyn Clouse, Nashville, who for the past year has been employed by the Executive Committee as editorial secretary for the Baptist Press, has resigned to do educational work in the First Baptist Church, Lawton, Okla.

Miss Clouse is a native of Amarillo, Texas, and is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, at Shawnee, where she majored in journalism. During the year she has been with the Baptist Press she has written almost every story sent out under that credit line, averaging fifteen stories each week. These stories have been printed around the world. Toc3. gS now is

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## Prentiss Church Sponsors Negro Bible Schools

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Prentiss Church recently sponsored Vacation Bible Schools in two negro churches in Jeff Davis County.

At the First Church Mrs. L. E. Green served as principal with an average attendance of 71 and mission offering of \$6.00.

At the South Pleasant Hill Church Miss Emily Green served as principal with an average attendance of 88 and mission offering of \$3.21. Dr. L. E. Green is pastor.

## Woman's Missionary Union

Failure To Vote August 26 Is  
A Vote In Favor Of Repeal

## Why We Pray . . .

You are urged to plan for a Prayer meeting in your home and join in praying for God to take charge in the forthcoming Referendum election to be held in Mississippi on August 25th. These prayer meetings are being held all over the state. It is expected that 100,000 people will attend such meetings on 2500 occasions in Mississippi between now and August 26th.

WE RECOGNIZE that the "Liquor Problem" is one of the biggest problems Christians face; WE KNOW that God is interested in this problem and stands ready to speak to His children about it if they will but speak to Him; WE BELIEVE in the power of prayer to move mightily in solving this problem; WE SUBMIT that if enough Christian Citizens will recognize this, vote the bottom line (X) AGAINST the proposed law on August 26th, educate the young and the weak, and give our officers wholehearted assistance and support in enforcing the laws, that it will go a long way in solving this problem.

DON'T OVERLOOK THIS ABSOLUTE FACT: "IF TWO OF YOU SHALL AGREE ON EARTH AS TOUCHING ANYTHING THEY SHALL ASK, IT SHALL BE DONE FOR THEM BY MY FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN." (The words of Jesus in Matthew 18:19)

IF WE AGREE  
AND, IF WE PRAY  
It Shall Be Done.

This is why we pray.

If you Believe in prayer we invite you to join us.

We have a big job ahead and need your immediate help. August 26 is a date for all Christians to vote our Christian convictions against legalized liquor in our state. Don't let the opposition confuse you — a vote for the referendum is a long step toward legalized liquor in Mississippi. Watch the ballot — our vote is against! Please help all of the women to see that failure to vote is really a vote for liquor. Every Christian woman should use her influence and vote against this evil.

Mississippi May Conceivably Go Wet, but Not by My Vote.  
Men may have strong drink, And men may sell strong liquor, but

Not By My Vote  
Taverns may go on like the brook, forever, And men may die by the thousands in them, but

Not By My Vote  
Truth may be wrecked and character dismantled, Homes may be destroyed and women and children degraded, but

Not By My Vote  
Children may be caught in the tavern's snare, The victims of alcohol may fill our jails, almshouses and insane asylums but

Not By My Vote  
The tavern may impoverish and degrade the people, Producing idleness, disease, and pauperism.

It may breed anarchy and crime but

Not By My Vote  
The government may license the drink traffic, and For a consideration, "take a reward against the innocent"

And bargain away the public health and the public morals, but

Not By My Vote  
The liquor traffic may corrupt the social and political Life of the nation; it may worm

its way into all business And even the sacred precincts of the home and the church, but

Not By My Vote

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## Baptist Hospital Celebrates Fortieth Year

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A week of special celebration services beginning July 15 marked the fortieth anniversary of the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis.

The hospital was constituted in 1912 with a 100 bed capacity and now has a 500 bed capacity. With the erection of a new thirteen-story addition for which plans are now near completion, the capacity will be increased to 750.

Frank S. Groner, administrator of the hospital, predicts that more than 25,000 patients will be cared for in the hospital this year.

Celebration features included outstanding guests both in the Southern Baptist Convention and in hospital administration. A thanksgiving service at Bellevue Baptist Church Sunday, July 20, with Dr. Robert G. Lee bringing the message, concluded the week's activities.

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## South Columbia Mission To Have Dedication

The dedication service of the South Columbia Mission building has been set for Sunday, August 17, at 3 p. m.

Rev. A. L. Gatewood, pastor of the First Church of Columbia, will preach the dedicatory sermon. After the service, there will be open house for everyone to see the building.

The mission is being sponsored by the First Church of Columbia and Rev. Clayton Bond will serve as mission pastor.



## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

### NEW BROTHERHOODS

We are listing below a number of Brotherhoods that have been organized in the past few months. These Brotherhood organizations have been reported to our south-wide office in Memphis and we are happy to report them through this column.

Value Church in Rankin Association with Rev. Clifton Davis, pastor and J. B. Blouset as president. Byhalia Church in Marshall Association with Rev. M. C. Whitten, pastor and J. B. Rodgers, president. Maben in Oktibbeha with Rev. B. Dolfis Hardin, pastor and Lloyd Jacks as president. Dry Creek in Winston Association with Rev. L. G. Camp, Jr., pastor. Bluff Springs in Pike Association with Rev. Bob E. Simmons, pastor and Thad Hughes, president. Holmesville in Pike Association with Rev. J. A. Bryant, pastor and Obeb McCalip, president. Sturgis in Oktibbeha Association with Rev. Cecil Maples, pastor and M. M. Smith, president. Plantersville in Lee Association with Rev. Paul Kihnl, pastor and Jack Williams as president. Mt. Vernon in Leflore Association with Rev. James Allgood as pastor and Olie Chandles, president. Williamsburg in Covington Association organized a Young pastor and Ceaser Caulter as president. Eastlawn in Jackson Association with Rev. Oliver Marson as pastor. Miss. Southern in Lebanon Association organized a Young Men's Brotherhood with Rev. Riley Munday as pastor and Vergel Eubanks as president. New Augusta in Perry Association with J. M. Smith as president. Crystal Springs in Copiah Association with Rev. M. D. Morton, pastor and Lloyd Kitchens as president. Macedonia in Winston Association with Rev. E. D. Estus, pastor and Arnold A. Reed as president. First Baptist in Macon, Noxubee Association with Rev. R. D. Pearson, pastor, N. C. Jensen as president. Siloam Church in Franklin Association with Claude Smith as president. Escatawpa in Jackson Association with Howard M. Coleman, president. Carey Springs in Pontotoc Association with Rev. John McMilliam, pastor and Kimble Bishop as president. Osburn Creek in Prentiss Association with Rev. Charles Gentry as pastor. Centerfield Church in Bolivar Association with Rev. J. P. Hollingsworth, pastor. An Associational Brotherhood with Mr. L. C. Wilson as president has been organized in Lafayette Association.

### ACTIVITIES REPORTED

Pleasant Grove Brotherhood in Wayne Association has an enrollment of 22 and held 4 meetings last month. They helped prepare for the revival that is to be held in August and helped with the building program. The report was sent in by Mr. Halles McGill. East McComb Brotherhood in Pike Association with an enrollment of 46, entertained 30 crippled children; had 20 that attended associational meetings; sponsored an Intermediate G. A. to Camp Garaywa and encouraged Adult help in youth week.

Reported by Joe McCollough, secretary. Ingomar Brotherhood of Union County have an enrollment of 24. The men of that Brotherhood raised \$290.00 and had the church painted. Report was sent in by Mr. Hayden Wought, secretary. Center Ridge in Yazoo Association have an enrollment of 27 and held 4 meetings last month. Reported by George Kirk, secretary.

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### B. L. Davis To Speak At McComb Central, Aug. 17



DR. B. LOCKE DAVIS

Dr. B. Locke Davis, pastor of Parker Memorial Church, of Anniston, Alabama, will be the guest speaker at the morning and evening services at Central Church, McComb, Sunday, August 17. Dr. Davis is a former pastor of Central Church.

Rev. Fred B. Bookter, pastor, is this week conducting revival services at Skene. Rev. V. R. Crider is pastor.

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### OAK GROVE REVIVAL ADDS NINETEEN

Oak Grove Church in Simpson County, had 19 additions during the recent revival, 18 on profession of faith. Rev. Dewey Williams of Hopewell was the evangelist. Rev. J. E. Murray is the pastor. Baptistal services were held on Sunday morning.

A Vacation Bible School was held prior to the revival with an average attendance of 94. Burnett Blair served as superintendent and Miss Edna May Meadows as director.

## Russell Plans Two Revivals

Two revivals are planned this month by the Russell Church, of which the Rev. R. H. Fitzgerald is pastor.

The first will be a layman's revival Aug. 18-20 with John Stewart, Vance Collum and the Rev. Fred Phelps in charge.

The annual summer revival on Aug. 24-30 will be led by the Rev. Jack Southerland, pastor of Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian.

Attendance at Sunday School this past Sunday broke all records with 134 attending. The total enrolment is 136, announces Lee Brandon, general superintendent.

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### Eden Makes Progress

Rev. Lee Gallman, director of Seminary Extension Department, led in a revival at Eden Church recently. Rev. E. C. Wheeler is the pastor.

During the two months of Mr. Wheeler's pastorage, he has been honored by the church with a reception and pantry shower. Also the church has remodeled the 8-room parsonage.

Mr. Wheeler is a graduate of Clarke College and Mississippi College. In addition to the Eden Church, he serves as pastor at Rocky Springs. Both churches have held Vacation Bible Schools. Rocky Springs had 100 per cent of its enrolment in attendance.

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### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

August 18 — Brotherhood Conference at Ridgecrest; J. W. Smith, Prentiss Associational Training Union Director.

August 19 — Mrs. Geo. McMillan, Deer Creek Associational WMU Superintendent; R. B. McGowen, Jr., Perry Associational Brotherhood President.

August 20 — Rev. Sam Waggoner, Lebanon Associational Sunday School Superintendent; Junior G. A. Camp, Garaywa.

August 21 — Bible, Relief and Annuity Board, Church Library, Audio-Visual Aids, Christian Recreation, Social Service and Southern Baptist Historical Society Conferences, Ridgecrest.

August 22 — Mrs. Viola Jones, House Mother, Baptist Orphanage; Elbert Nothern, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

August 23 — H. T. Breland, faculty, Clarke College; W. B. McGuffee, faculty, Mississippi College.

August 24 — Miss Jimmie Dexter, Tishomingo Associational Training Union Director; Mrs. J. H. Carner, Leflore Associational WMU Superintendent.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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MISS MARTHA CAROLYN WELLS, Office Secretary



The Dekalb Baptist Church had its Vacation Bible School the week of May 19-23. The enrolment was 121 with an average attendance of 89. Twenty people served on the faculty and there were three of the pupils making profession of faith. Brother C. C. Weaver is the pastor of this good church, and he says that this Bible School was as helpful to the church and community as a revival meeting. The people serving on the faculty with the pastor were happy to help plan for a two weeks school next year. We are happy to present a picture of this fine school above.

Vacation Bible School reports are coming in daily. Thank you for sending them. These reports show the good work being done by many churches in Bible teaching and soul winning with our boys and girls. It is to be noted on many of the reports that boys and girls are making profession of faith in Christ. When real Bible teaching is done, many of our children will accept Jesus as saviour. May we encourage you to get your reports in so your church can be counted in this great work.

Teacher Training Charts and Wall Sized Standards are available for the asking. The teacher training chart is used to display our workers in training and what books they have had in the teacher training course. One on the wall where your workers meet will be an incentive for your workers to do more training for their work. The wall sized Standard presents ten vital matters, if kept before the school's leadership, will tend to keep the work on the main track of real, effective Bible teaching and soul winning.

The Correlated Church Study Course, a booklet, has been mailed to our pastors by Clifton J. Allen, Chairman of Inter-Agency Council of Southern Baptist Agencies. This little booklet was sent with the desire to help the churches plan and promote a vigorous study course program. After a careful reading of this program, we are assured that it merits a careful study by the leaders of our churches.

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WRITE PRESIDENT LAWRENCE T. LOWERY  
BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS.





Above are pictured those who attended the Vacation Bible School recently held at Mt. Zion Church in Franklin County. Rev. James N. Dykes, pastor, states that the VBS enrollment was 95 with a daily average attendance of 88. Twenty volunteer workers helped to make the school successful. A total of \$17.30 was given for the cause of missions. Two junior boys were converted during the week.

The revival meeting will begin at Mt. Zion on August 17. Rev. Jeff Brantley will be the visiting evangelist.

## Baptist Student Union

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DR. CHESTER L. QUARLES

Our beloved State Executive Secretary, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, is speaking to our State Pre-School meeting at Clarke College, August 21-23. The State BSU department will pay for the meals of all local BSU Presidents, Student Secretaries, College pastors, Faculty Advisers and the members of the State Council who are especially urged to be present. Other workers are welcome. All planning attend please write Mr. Louie Farmer, Box 87, Newton, that you are coming. You will need to furnish your own linens. Please pray for this meeting.

### DON'T BE MISLED

Don't be misled by the advertisements of the proponents of "home rule" as you go to the polls August 26. The issue is: Do you want liquor legalized or not? If Proposition A (the proposition of the State) is adopted, legalized liquor

is on its way. Some counties, especially counties bordering on wet states, would probably vote wet under local option and would become much wetter than they are now. Then counties bordering on the wet counties, though dry themselves, would suffer many of the iniquitous problems bred by the liquor traffic. For our part, we don't want liquor in our own county or in any other counties of our state. We are completely against the whole business. We shall, therefore, vote for Proposition B; we shall vote dry on August 26. And we hope every other Christian will do the same.

### POTPOURRI

We're sorry to lose Mrs. Enoch Seal as BSU Sec'y for Pearl River Jr. College. We appreciate the good job she's done. . . . Frank Horton, BSU Sec'y for Sunflower, Jr., recently spoke at a townwide vesper service in Moorhead. S. J. C. BSUers had charge of worship service in Moorhead Church. . . . Riley Munday reports from Miss. Southern that a Brotherhood has been organized with Verquel Eubanks as president. . . . One was converted, two joined Decatur Church, 20 made decisions at Billy Graham meeting in Jackson, from E. Central Jr., according to Gladys Bryant, BSU Sec'y.

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Rev. Bill Jacobs of Tinsley Church, Yazoo County, did the preaching in a revival at Shiloh Church in Marion County the last week in July. There were six professions of faith and eight rededications. Rev. Porter Buckley is the pastor.

## Westview Revival To Be Aug. 18-24

Westview Church of Jackson will be led in a revival August 18-24 by its young people.

Rev. Barney Walker, Jr., will be the visiting youth evangelist. Mrs. Walker will play the piano, and James Tadlock will lead the singing.

Morning and evening services will be held at 10:30 and 8:00, respectively. The public is invited and urged to attend these services.

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## Morton Church Has 57 Decisions During Revival

Dinner on the ground, Sunday, August 3, with 462 in Sunday School, climaxed the activities of the revival meeting at the church at Morton. Fifty-seven decisions were made for the Lord, and many souls were won to Christ during the revival July 27-August 3.

The evangelist was Rev. J. D. Scott of Amite, La., district mission supervisor of Tangipohoa Parish, while the music was under direction of Shelby Newman, music and education director of First Church of Kentwood, La.

Large crowds featured the services. Cottage prayer meetings preceded the beginning of the revival, and a 50 voice choir featured the singing nightly.

Rev. Carl Duck has been pastor of the church only a short time and during that time there have been 101 additions to the church.

## 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.  
50 YEARS AGO—

The meeting of the Hepzibah Church, Marion county, closed with "seven accessions and two expulsions." Pastor J. W. Steen was assisted by Rev. W. A. Hewitt of Columbia.

Rev. Bryan Simmons of Carpenfer, was the preacher in the Sandersville church revival meeting which resulted in 17 accessions, ten for baptism. Rev. O. D. Bowen, pastor.

Pastor W. S. Allen of Gunnison writes: "Four noble, Godly women have built a Church here that is a model of elegance and convenience. It is paid for too. We hope to dedicate it soon."

25 YEARS AGO

Brother A. D. Muse closed a tent meeting at Roundaway, near Shaw, during which there were 75 additions to the church and a new and modern church building project was launched.

Rev. N. J. Lee of Sumrall assisted Pastor J. O. Buckley in a revival meeting in the Hepzibah Church, resulting in 13 additions, 12 for baptism.

The church at Mathiston closed a successful meeting with 27 accessions, 20 for baptism. Pastor J. W. Hicks was assisted by Rev. C. S. Thomas as preacher and B. A. Booth as leader of the song services.

### WILL A. McMULLEN

WHEREAS, Mr. Will A. McMullen has been a member of the First Church of Sumner for more than fifty years, active as a Deacon and as church treasurer for many years, faithful in his attendance and faithful in the support of his church.

WHEREAS, God has seen fit to call him home, we, the Deacons and members of this church humbly submit to the will of Him who doeth all things well. Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that we extend to members of his family our heartfelt sympathy and assurance of our mutual loss.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pastor

Deacons,

Members of First Baptist Church of Sumner, Mississippi.

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**LICENSED AT HIGHLAND****REV. DUANE AYCOCK**

Duane Aycock was recently licensed to the Gospel Ministry by Highland Church in Meridian. He is a graduate of Meridian High School, and plans to enter Meridian Junior College this fall. Duane served as Youth Pastor during the observance of Youth Week at Highland and in July preached his first sermon.

—BR—

Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building were members of the Girls Auxillary from the Tate Street Church in Corinth. They were: Judith Lynn Smith, Katherine Sue Young, Rita May Smith, Angeler Williams, Sue Wilbanks, Jannice Byram, Kathryn Deaton, Elizabeth Nixon, and Mrs. M. Glenn Smith, sponsor.

**Prospect Plans Revival; To Serve Dinner Aug. 17**

Rev. E. M. Bilbo of Petal will be the evangelist in a revival at Prospect Church in Perry county August 17-22.

On the first day of the revival, dinner will be served on the grounds. Morning and afternoon services are planned. But no night service will be held on Sunday.

Rev. T. J. Fewell Prospect pastor, invites friends, and especially former members.

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**CLEAR CREEK TO HAVE HOMECOMING AUG. 31**

The annual Homecoming of Clear Creek Church, Lafayette county, will be held on Sunday, August 31. Rev. E. F. Beeler, pastor, extends a cordial invitation to former pastors, and friends.

Clear Creek is one of the oldest churches in the county, its present building being near one hundred years old.

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**Calvary, Yazoo City Plans Revival Aug. 17**

Calvary Church in Yazoo City has planned a revival to begin Aug. 17-23.

Rev. S. W. Valentine, pastor of the Southside Church, Jackson, will be the evangelist and Rev. J. C. Renfro, pastor of Oak Grove, Jones county, will direct the singing.

Rev. J. N. Brister is the Calvary pastor.

**STEENS CREEK ADDS 22**

Dr. John W. Landrum, pastor of the First Church of Canton did the preaching and Robert Nations, music and education director of State Line Church, was in charge of the music during the revival at Steens Creek Church, Florence, which closed August 3.

The meeting was reported to be the best in a number of years. Morning attendance was at an all-time high. There were 15 decisions for baptism and 7 added by letter. One young man surrendered to full time Christian service. There were about 75 rededications. Rev. L. C. Hoff is pastor.

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**First Request Received For Doctrinal Tracts**

THE BAPTIST RECORD had hardly been distributed week before last before the first request came in for some of the new Doctrinal tracts now available at the Baptist Building.

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**Oak Grove Plans Meeting****REV. R. A. TULLOS**

Rev. R. A. Tullos will do the preaching in a revival at Oak Grove Church, Phoenix, August 24-29. The music will be under the direction of Rev. R. S. Parker, Oak Grove pastor. Mrs. Mae Parker will serve as pianist.

Cottage prayer services will be held each night during the week preceding the meeting.

Mr. Tullos is pastor of the Calvary Church, Greenwood.

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There were 17 additions, 15 by baptism, during the revival which closed August 8 at Salem Church in Hinds County. Rev. John R. Maddox, pastor of the First Church, Picayune, was the evangelist. Travis Luncford of Sallis, led the singing. Rev. Theodore E. Lea is pastor.

**AGRICOLA GETS NEW BAPTISTRY MURAL**

A panorama mural of the Jordan River was unveiled at Agricola Church recently. From the junction with the Yarmouk, the congregation looks north to Mt. Hermon and Mt. Lebanon. Included in this view is Lake Tiberias and the sea of Galilee, with Tiberias, Madgala, Capernaum, Chorazin and Bethsaida-Julius indicated among its shores.

This is not the traditional scene of Jesus' baptism, but taking a portion of the Holy Land where spent most of His earthly life. The mural centers on Capernaum where most of His recorded miracles were performed. An explanation of the landmarks shown is given by the artist, Phil Prentiss, a member of the First Church, New Orleans, who has made a intensive study of the geography of this section in preparation of these paintings.

There were twenty candidates baptized at the evening service this newly completed baptistry in this modern brick church.

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### Highland Church, Laurel Dedicated Sunday, Aug. 3

Laurel's newest Baptist Church, Highland, was dedicated for the first time Sunday, Aug. 3. The dedication service was held at 10 a. m., with the pastor, Rev. A. Hurt, preaching, with a prayer service held at 3 p. m. Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary, speaking. The house was held from 3 to 5 p. m. The church started as a mission in 1949, as a part of the national mission program of the county.

The First Church of Laurel was the sponsor of the mission and readily accepted.

The new building is valued at \$100,000, has a sanctuary seating 300, ample educational facilities, and is well equipped throughout.

W. Taylor is chairman of the building committee.

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Rev. Paul Harland, formerly pastor of North Mississippi, after years in Tennessee and Arkansas, has returned to Mississippi as pastor of the Bunkley Church in Franklin Association. Harland is living at 305 Jefferson Street, Natchez.

### DR. S. B. PLATT DELIVERS SIX ADDRESSES AT EUROPEAN BAPTIST LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

In our first article we tried to give you something of the background of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Zurich, Switzerland. We will now try to tell you something of its work and purpose.

This is a long range program, the fruit of which will not be evident for many years to come. Young men from all over the continent who feel called of God to definite Christian service are enrolled in the seminary and trained for Christian leadership. These young men must be recommended by their local church and are then investigated by a seminary representative before being enrolled.

However, these men have no way of earning a living in school and no financial backing outside, so it is necessary to furnish them not only their room and board and books, but also their clothes. This latter item so far has been taken care of by various church groups here in the states sending boxes of used clothing, shoes and underwear. One of the student wives is a fine seamstress, and so is able to alter clothing that does not fit. If one of your church groups wants a worthy project suggest that

they gather second-hand clothing that is usable and send it to these students.

Each of these students is required to work five hours per week for the seminary. This may be waiting tables, work in the kitchen, tending the grounds, etc. After he has completed this five hours he is permitted to work five more hours for which he receives remuneration at the rate of two Swiss francs per hour. This amounts to about 45 cents per hour in American money.

Now do you begin to catch something of the thrill of this long range program? Do you see how these young men, who through no fault of their own are victims of circumstances, are being trained not only in theology, homiletics and the theories of Christianity, but they are being gathered from various nations of Europe and placed under one roof where they must live together, eat together, study together and work together.

Of course problems are going to arise, but can you see how these difficulties arising and being solved here in such a Christian atmosphere makes of it a kind of laboratory, producing immune serum for international misunderstanding?

I would like to tell you now something of the Laymen's Conference which it was my privilege to attend.

Of course, the main purpose of the Seminary is to train young men to be real Christian leaders. But at the same time we hope to make Zurich the main headquarters of all our Baptist work in Europe. Because here will be situated the best in trained personnel and probably the best library for our pastors, students, and laymen to refer to.

With the above thoughts in mind summer conferences of various groups have been planned with a threefold purpose in mind. First, to bring inspiration and fellowship to those who attend. Second, to make use of this property and its marvelous facilities the year around instead of allowing it to be idle for several months each year. Third, to acquaint our people with the

Seminary, its purposes and its work.

This summer four such conferences were held. The first one was for Military Chaplains, the second one was for pastors, the third for laymen and the fourth for young people. These conferences must of necessity be small because they must be limited by the number that the seminary can accommodate with room and board. There were between forty and fifty men to register at the Laymen's Conference and they were a good cross-section of life. There was a physician from Germany, an architect from England, a rope manufacturer from Holland, a Plymouth Chrysler dealer from Stockholm, Sweden, a publisher from Germany and a paper manufacturer from Austria.

These men all came at their own expense and sacrificing the time from their business because they love the Lord. One man even rode six hundred miles on a motor scooter, which meant that he was on the road three days each way. But the consecration and the inspiration that was felt at every session made every one feel that no matter what the cost in time, money or sacrifice, it would be worth while to hold these conferences annually. For we felt that just as the

## Sept. Calendar Of Activities

- 1—New class, School of Nursing, Baptist Hospital.
- 7-14-21-28—BSU Join-the-Church at College Days.
- 15-19—WMU Week of Prayer for State Missions.
- 16—Sunday School Simultaneous Associational Planning Meetings.
- 28—Promotion Day in Sunday School and Training Union.

main purpose of the Seminary is to train young men for outstanding Christian leadership in years to come. If we can get our leaders of today and inspire them to more consecrated service the talk of tomorrow will be much easier.

So join us in prayer that God may continue to use this great institution as a local point that will radiate love, evangelism and consecration, not only throughout Europe, but even to the ends of the earth.

—BR—  
Campbell Creek Church in Simpson county will have their revival August 17-22. Rev. Hollis Benton will be the visiting evangelist. Rev. W. T. Miller is pastor.

## IN KOREA—

### the boy who can't stop crying

Kang Suk's widowed mother, sitting on her doorway step, called him. Playing across the road from her, he pretended not to hear. He loved his mother but he did not want to stop playing. When she called again, he started toward her. And then it happened—a roar, thunder in his ears, the earth shook and he fell. When he got to his feet again and looked, his mother was gone, his home was gone. There was only smoke and burning debris. Calling, "mother," he stumbled toward her but young as he was, he knew she was in the flames and he could not reach her.

Kang Suk's experiences from then on were much the same as thousands of other children. There was the trudging for mile after mile with the other refugees, all-hungry, too. As he grew weaker, he stumbled more and more. But he kept walking and stumbling and—crying. Finally he was picked up by Operation Kiddie Car and flown with other dirty, ragged, vermin-infested boys and girls to a Christian Children's Fund orphanage on Cheju Island. His teachers, the other children, even food does not interest him much. He seems to want to be alone and he stands by himself and cries. When he is spoken to, he only repeats, "I did not come when my mother called me and now she will not call me anymore."

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## Daniel Memorial Youth Organize Plans For Revival



DR. CHESTER SWOR

Young People of Daniel Memorial church, Jackson, began their planning this week for "Christian Life Week" which will be emphasized by a revival led by Dr. Chester Swor, August 18-24.

A devotional period will be broadcast from the Chapel, Monday through Friday over Radio Station WSLI at 9:45 a. m.

Dr. Swor, nationally-known lecturer and a deacon of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, was abroad this past summer and attended the Baptist Youth Congress in Stockholm, Sweden, making a tour of Europe after the Congress.

Robert P. Rapp, a student from the University of Houston an associate to Dr. Swor will work in the meeting.

The Youth of Daniel Memorial Baptist Church are in charge of all arrangements for the revival week. They make up the various committees, while older church members serve as their advisors.

The committees follow:

Devotional: Clarence Stockstill, chairman; Rev. Harold T. Kitchings, advisor; Barbara Gainey, Barbara Dear, Sam Jennings, Thad Cochran and Paul Stribbling.

Enlistment: Valerie Henderson and Carolyn Love, co-chairmen; Miss Louise Cartledge, advisor; Mary Woods, Jackie Dear, Rose Marie Merchant, Ruby Jewel Davis and Billy Thomas.

Evangelistic: Mrs. Charleen Ainsworth, chairman; J. I. Koenig, advisor; Betty Jo Moore, Mrs. T. C. Baker, Mrs. Jan Stegenga and Mrs. John Hollingsworth.

Usher: Johnny McCoy and Joe Lee, co-chairmen; Jack Harris advisor; Harold Miley, Jerry Powell, Thomas Hollingsworth, Julius Hollingsworth, Frank Alessio, Jerry Gould, Sidney Morris, Don Patterson, Tommy Jennings, Wendell Gambrell, Terry Beck, Charles Head, Sonny Furr and David Love.

Hospitality: Mary Ruth Mangum, chairman; Mrs. J. E. Henderson, advisor; Luta Newman, Mae Morrison, Patricia Morrison, Judith Gray, Ann Alessio, Durwood Myers, Ronnie Martin, Lewis Alexander, Billy Williams and Walter Bishop.

With a two-fold purpose of publicity through both press and posters, the publicity committee, headed by Lily Catherine Morrison will

## HOME MISSION CONVERT TO LEAVE CHAPLAINCY RETURNS TO PASTORATE

In January, 1923, a Scottish lad who had gone into World War I and had been decorated four times by his country, arrived in Panama to visit an uncle. He was still only twenty-five, and had been through the Galipoli Campaign and had marched with Allenby into Jerusalem five years before this. He decided while there as a quick way to achieve American citizenship to enlist in the U. S. Army. He soon became a supply sergeant at Fort Amador.

While walking through the streets of Panama City one day, this young Scot, who had been reared on "porridge and catechism," but who was avoiding giving his life to Christian service because of the harshness of war and his own parents' seeming life of poverty in a Scottish manse, heard the strains of a hymn of his childhood, "Rock of Ages." That young man from Old Scotia was led into a mission station founded by Southern Baptists, at "Chorilla Mission." He heard a veteran missionary, Rev. Stephen Witt, preaching the old-time religion and was led to Christ. He united with the American church in the Canal Zone and was baptized by Dr. M. F. Roberts, the pastor of the Balboa Heights Baptist Church.

Later, when the missionary was undergoing an operation, that Scot lad, Ernest D. Elliott, began to preach, for he had been avoiding the call for years. The Balboa Church licensed him, and their wonderful mission spirit led him to the Baptist Bible Institute (now New Orleans Seminary.) He has held pastorates in Bogalusa, and Hammond, Louisiana, and Greenville, Mississippi. He resigned at Greenville because he was a National Guard chaplain.

He is now Division Chaplain of the 31st (Dixie) Infantry Division, has his Doctor's Degree, has written many sermon-books and two novels, and the odd experience of knowing that the man who is now Pastor of Balboa Heights Baptist Church served alongside him in New Guinea in the recent war.

Dr. Carpenter, who visited Chaplain Elliott in the Division Area at Fort Jackson recently, asked him if he thought Home Missions was worth while to him. Hence Dr. Ernest D. Elliott, until recently pastor of the First Church, Greenville, and now Lt.-Colonel Chaplain Elliott and supervising Chaplain of the Dixie Division, gives his own story of missions and says: "Thank God for the little Baptist Church at the world's cross-roads, where the Atlantic and Pacific meet and where the North and South America divide. The Balboa Heights Church and Southern Baptist Home Missions will always have a warm place in my heart. Tell our Baptist people that a Scotsman's advice is 'Support

be advised by Mrs. Harold Robertson and Mrs. Julian Choate. Committee members are Philip Bowen, Pete Sibley, Frances Mooney, Gloria Cade, Mary Lynn Davis and Mary Catherine Sanning.

## Royalty To Lead Rock Hill Revival



REV. JOE ROYALTY

Rev. Joe Royalty, pastor of the Emmanuel Church, Jackson, will do the preaching in a revival at Rock Hill Church, Rankin County, August 17-22. Rev. Jerry Slonaker, pastor, will direct the singing, and Miss Violet Kersh will be the pianist.

Prayer services are being held at the church each night during the week prior to the meeting. Thirty minute prayer meetings will be held each night prior to the revival services.

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DR. LOUIS E. DOLLARHIDE

Returning to the English department of Mississippi College in Clinton this fall is Louis E. Dollarhide, who served as English instructor for three years before going to the University of North Carolina where he has completed work for the Ph. D. degree.

Mr. Dollarhide is an alumnus of Mississippi College, having received the B. A. degree here in 1942.

Home Missions' for my wife, a little Louisiana girl of the twenties, says it pays big dividends."

Dr. Elliott plans to leave the service about September 1, this year and will be available for revival meetings or denominational rallies before accepting permanent work either in Mississippi or Louisiana.

## HEART ATTACK CLAIMS LIFE OF M. E. DODD

SHREVEPORT, La. — Dr. M. E. Dodd died in Long Beach, California, August 6, following two heart attacks that day. He was 73 years old.

Funeral services were conducted in Shreveport where he had lived since 1912 when he became pastor of the First Baptist Church. He retired from the active pastorate in August 1950.

Dr. Dodd was a graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, and held honorary degrees from Union and Baylor universities. He was president of Dodd College in Shreveport during its existence.

Ordained to the ministry in 1902, he served pastorates at Fulton, Paducah, and Louisville, Ken. He was past president of the Louisiana Baptist Convention and of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was a member of the executive committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

During his thirty-eight years as pastor at Shreveport, over 13,000 were added to the church, fifteen new churches grew out from the First Church and a gigantic educational building program was completed. Dr. Dodd also wrote ten books and more than forty tracts and other booklets during his ministry.

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## Concord Begins Revival With All-Day Service

Concord Church will hold a revival August 17-24 in which Rev. Eldon R. Curtin, pastor of Concord, will do the preaching and Ray Beckman, student at Mississippi College, will lead the song services.

A full day of services have been planned for the opening day: Preaching service at 11 a. m., dinner on the ground at noon, a song and testimony service at 2 p. m., and preaching services again at 8:30 p. m.

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Mt. Olive Church, Amite county, closed a revival on August 1, in which there were nine professions of faith.

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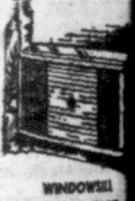
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## Sunday School Lesson

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For August 17

### THE TRAGEDY OF SAUL

Bible Texts I Samuel 13:1-14; 15, 18, 28, 31.

#### I. CONFIDENCE MISPLACED

There lives over at Booneville, Arkansas, a preacher friend of mine who over and again has said to me, "My motto is, 'And having no confidence in the flesh', and I mean my own flesh or anybody else's flesh." We have for our study today God's doings with a man who might have wrought a great deal for God had he fully obeyed Jehovah, wholly trusting in Him. Saul was a remarkable man. tall, broad-shouldered, deep-chested and strong.

Thus was he physically, a veritable giant of a man, pleasing to look upon, capable of heroic exploits. This not only, but Saul was a man of no little sagacity, organizing ability, endowed with unusual qualities of leadership, a field general of more than ordinary tactical ability. By his early leadership of the armies of Israel, he not only gained victory over the enemies of Jehovah's people, but he also molded the tribes into a nation of one race and of one dominant aim.

But Saul was the victim of one all-inclusive weakness: he leaned to his own understanding, he trusted in the strength of his own right arm, he reposed final confidence in his own flesh. And what was true of Saul in the realm of inherent capacity for evil was true in no larger measure of him than it is of you and me. Behind all the excellent qualities of character which we may note in the very best of men there are weaknesses of character which, when given a chance to show themselves, will completely overpower any one of us and send him to his ruin. And how do these weaknesses of character get a chance to show themselves and wield their devilish ability to dash strong men down in disastrous defeat?

The answer is one for every man and down all the lengthening stretch of time. Poor Saul's case is typical. Insanely jealous, haunted by fear, eternally unhappy, he lived out his days in utter misery and despair, until as his final act he ended his hapless life by his own hand. And over the last resting place of his body there blazes the unseen inscription He Placed Confidence in the Flesh.

#### II. "DESTROY UTTERLY"

Now there stands a command. It is not only a command, but it is Jehovah's command. What are you going to do with that command, Saul? Oh, but you are the king, are you? Are kings then exempt from obedience to Jehovah? Who are you, my big brother, that you set yourself above the requirement of the word of the Almighty? Will he excuse you though you account yourself as of so little worth that you think He does not mark you in your place and charge you with responsibility for the correct use

of your God-given endowment? But you are rich and have got riches and have need of nothing, so you are above the necessity of obeying utterly the commandment of God.

Will you not remember that all you have is His, your cattle on the rolling hills of your pasture land and the very hills themselves, and that you are going away and leave all of them together after a few more days and take with you whither you go not a hoof nor a horn nor a sorriest foot of earth? But you are well up among the privilege! Let God be careful how He commands you! Are you following the path of star-eyed science and she is hinting that there is no God! I write these words in the spot on the Western Hemisphere where more knowledge is gathered, conserved, and disseminated than on any other, and I tell you that wide and profound knowledge will not avail to set you above the necessity of obeying fully the commandment of God Almighty.

The commandment of Jehovah to Saul was utterly to destroy, and the object to be destroyed was one which left alone would corrupt the life of the king and the whole character of the nation. Tell you what might do you good take a half-hour in which to do it, sit down and with paper and pen write at the top of a sheet the words Destroy Utterly. Then under those words write a list of the things in your life that you know the Lord would have you destroy. Be honest and you will by searching find them. If you are honest with yourself and Him, you may make up quite a list. And when the list is all made up, what then?

Will you utterly destroy? "But I have in possession here a thing which it will cost me to destroy! Oh, you have, have you? So had Saul! Listen while Saul speaks to Samuel 'I have obeyed the voice of Jehovah. . . and have brought Agag the king of Amalek . . . But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the devoted things to sacrifice unto Jehovah thy God in Gilgal'."

But you are willing to give generously of your gains, however you have made them, to the work of the Lord. Many a man has tried to bribe God to overlook his crooked methods of making money and his crooked life in general, but all the gifts to the church you can make will not atone for one act of disobedience. If we are not wholly surrendered to God and to His will in love and obedience, all the external trappings of religion in the world, church attendance, making the sign of the cross, contributing money, repeating prayers, singing psalms — all of them are vanity and vexation of spirit to Him with whom we have to do.

#### III. UTTER REJECTION

To neglect God's word is to neglect Him. To reject God's command is to reject Him. To reject God is to walk off and leave Him. But when you walk off and leave Him, you are just away from Him. "Oh, I don't believe that! That's falling from grace, and Baptists don't believe in falling from grace!" Many years ago, someone asked a young lady in my presence to play some music. She answered,

## VANCLEAVE BREAKS GROUND FOR NEW CHURCH



Pictured above is a scene from the ground breaking ceremony for the new church building which is under construction by the Vancleave Church. The building will be made of cream colored brick (Arkansas tile), and will be located among the pine trees on the new property situated on the south entrance to Vancleave.

The program was begun in December, 1950. C. L. Dees of Vancleave and Sampson Johnson of Theodore, Alabama, presented the new property to the church. A. H. Freeman, of Laurel and Vancleave, made a gift of \$1000. The new auditorium will be furnished with pews and pulpit furniture by means of a \$1500 gift from Mrs. Grant Humphrey in memory of her husband and her sister-in-law, Miss Guess Humphrey (both deceased) who were for a long time members of the Vancleave church.

Participating in the ground breaking ceremony are, reading from left, V. Wayne Barton, pastor, and three members of the

construction committee, Edward Vaughn, Henry Davis, and Palmer Murphy. The chairman of the committee, Olin Davis, was not present. Supervisor of construction is Charles Calton, local builder.

### Pinnix Leads Revival 36 Added, 29 Professions

Rev. L. C. Pinnix, formerly pastor at Drew and now residing in Jackson, closed a revival at Archibald (La.) Church on August 3. There were 36 added to the church, 29 on profession of faith. Baptismal services were held Sunday morning with all 29 present for baptism.

During his two-year pastorate at Drew, a building fund was launched for a two-story educational unit. At present \$30,000 is in hand for its construction. Plans have been arranged by the church and a contract will soon be let for its construction. The contract has been let which will move the pastorium further from the building, thus making space available for the educational unit.

August 17-22, Mr. Pinnix will lead in a revival at Black-Jack Church, Yazoo County. He is available for evangelistic work, revival singing and as a supply. His address is 368 Beaverbrook Road.

Pastor G. C. Sansing did the preaching in the revival at Siloam Church, Clay County in July. Sixteen were added to the church, ten by baptism. This is a total of 51 additions under the ministry of Pastor Sansing this year.

### Hear The Baptist Hour

Dr. J. D. Grey will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour program on Sunday, August 17.

The following stations in Mississippi, Memphis, Tennessee and Carrollton, Alabama carry the Baptist Hour Program:

WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 6 p. m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.; WJPR, Greenville, 6 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WLAU, Laurel, 8 a. m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 3:30 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRAG, Carrollton, Ala., 2 p. m.; WHBJ, Memphis, 9 p. m.

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Second Avenue Church in Laurel, Rev. James H. Street, pastor, will conduct a church school of music Aug. 18-22.

ed, "I'm out of practice".

And her old good father responded, "I did not know, Daughter, that you had ever been in". I have the old professor's doubts as to you, my brother, with regard to your state in grace. Was Saul ever in grace? If you can deliberately disobey God, plan a course of sin and of grace? Can you play with the devil's goats and make yourself believe you belong with Messiah's sheep? Come, now! Let's look ourselves straight in the face with the help of the Lord's own mirror. No fooling ourselves! No fooling ourselves even into believing that the Almighty does not see or that He is heedless of what He sees. At the last He will retribute.

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## 1951 Baptisms Decrease Check Your Church Record

By CHARLEY E. WILBANKS

"Read 'em and weep" might be an expression which Editor L. A. Myers of the Baptist New Mexican would classify in his unique column, "You Can't Print This," maybe we ought not print them. But how else can we startle our lethargic spirits? How better can we call attention to what must make the angels weep? We glory in the fact that there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents. Ever think what the reaction is among the same throng when sinners do not repent? When no disciples are baptized? Ever wonder what the reaction is when a church goes a whole year and baptizes not one? Our record in Mississippi is published for the whole world to gaze upon.

That's right; "read 'em and weep" in 1950, 193 churches reported no baptisms, and only 131 were listed as pastorless in the state. In 1951, 250 churches reported no baptisms, and only 146 churches were reported as pastorless. (Figures taken from latest Hand Book, \$1, Baptist Book Store). There is no easy way to determine whether only pastorless churches reported no baptisms. Since there were more churches reporting no baptisms than were reported pastorless, it would seem logical to conclude that not all baptismless churches were pastorless churches. Nor can we easily ascertain if the pastorless churches failed to baptize anyone. But there seems no way to deny that more churches reported no baptism in 1951, than in 1950. Fifteen percent of our Mississippi churches let twelve long months go by in 1951 and led not one person to Christ and to baptism. Yes, "read 'em and weep."

Now can we dry our tears when we read the numbers baptized and compare them with 1950. In the complete compilation of baptisms by all the churches reporting through the Southern Baptist Hand Book (28,289 churches), baptisms in 1951 were 560 less than in 1950. While Mississippi not only showed more churches reporting no baptism, but showed 1,153 baptisms less than in 1950. Our record: 250 churches reporting no baptisms, fifty-seven more than in 1950; and baptisms fewer than in 1950, by the figure of 1,153, nearly one hundred per month less than in 1950.

Mississippi actually pulled back the total record of baptisms in the Southern Baptist Convention by 593. "Read 'em and weep." To read them makes us wish we did not have to say what Pilate said, "What I have written, I have written." But say it we must. The record we cannot expunge nor amend. Not to "read 'em and weep," but

instead of feeling shame and remorse, for us to be proud of our record and pat ourselves on the back, would require strange anatomy. In the face of the facts, not to "read 'em and weep," must indicate that we are as calloused as was Jeremiah's generation: "Nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush." Jer. 6: 15. And what sort of anatomy would it take to go on patting ourselves on the back and not to "read 'em and weep?" Maybe a rubber arm and hand (no feeling in either), a string for a backbone (to move the back over in reach) and a heart of stone to bear up together the other two monstrosities.

That is not all; there is another figure which could be included to make us "read 'em and weep," and that is the number of Mississippi Baptists it took twelve months to win a soul in 1951. Have you won some person to Christ and to his church in 1952? How many has your church won and baptized? Satisfied? Can your heart sing "Are they not enough for Thee?" Nay, verily, "Read 'EM and WEEPI!"

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### Mission Team Climaxes Tour At Louisville First

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 13—A world mission team composed of four foreign born students from Wayland College at Plainview, Texas, appeared here Tuesday night, Aug. 12, in a special program at the First Church, of which Rev. James Fairchild is pastor. This was the last appearance of the team as they completed a tour of southern states which carried them to some of the largest churches and student gatherings in Southern Baptist Convention territory. The team members are:

Fred Sahhar, a native of Judea, Palestine; Sue Arashiro, born of Japanese parentage in Hawaii; Harriett Poon, born in Canton, China; and Bill Nakahira, born into a Buddhist home in Hawaii.

Bill and Harriett plan to do educational work in their native lands; Fred wants to be a medical missionary in his country, and Sue is preparing to be a missionary.

### Immanuel Gets New Pastor



Rev. R. Elmer Nielson, pastor of the Farris Hill Church in Milton, Fla., has accepted the pastorate of the Immanuel Church, Hattiesburg, and will assume his duties on Sept. 1.

Mr. Nielsen is a native of Montgomery, Ala. He is a graduate of Howard College and holds the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Nielsen, a native of Charlotte, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina. They have four children.

Immanuel church has recently completed a three-story educational unit and will have a new parsonage for the pastor and his family to move into.

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### MRS. LAURA WARD DIES

Mrs. Laura Ward, widow of the late Rev. J. L. Ward, died at the home of her son, Raymond, in Louisville on August 6. She was 69. Services were held from the First Church, Louisville, with Rev. James Fairchild, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Masonic Cemetery.

She had been in ill health a year and had been confined to her bed eight months. Mr. Ward, who served numerous pastorates in and around Winston County, died in 1943.

She leaves four other sons, Major James Leroy Ward of Westover Field, Mass., Roger T. Ward of Vance, Ray F. Ward of Glendale, Calif., and Robert John Ward of Canton and Louisville; two sisters, Mrs. John Puckett and Mrs. Will McKay of Louisville, and seven grandchildren.



THE FIRST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ever to be held in the Robinson Church at Peoria enrolled 30 boys and girls. There was an average attendance of 28. Rev. H. C. Mann is pastor and Mrs. Hollis Bates was principal of the school.



### Series Of Articles To Begin Next Week

A new series of interesting articles will begin in The Baptist Record next week.

This series will deal with the stewardship program of several of Mississippi's churches and will take the place of the series on the Associational Mission Program which closed last week.

This series will run for six or seven weeks and will take, one at a time, several representative churches and give a full presentation of what these churches are doing in a stewardship way.

Watch for the first article next week.

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### ERVIN BROWN ACCEPTS WALNUT PASTORATE

Rev. Ervin Brown began his duties as pastor of the Walnut Church in Riverside Association on August 3. The Brown family moved into a new, modern parsonage, and were received by the people with many gifts of food and other kindnesses.

Mr. Brown was formerly pastor of the Murphy Creek Church in Winston county. While there 96 were added to the church, 63 by baptism. All organizations showed growth; a Brotherhood was organized; an educational building was built, equipped, and paid for; and extensive repairs were made to the parsonage.

Active in the associational work, Mr. Brown served as the associate Sunday School superintendent and the assistant moderator. He also taught a Bible course in the Clarke College extension school at Louisville.

In addition to the full time program at Murphy Creek, he served the Crystal Ridge Church in Winston county as an afternoon appointment.

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Pleasant Hill Church in DeSoto County has recently closed a revival with Rev. Pete Lunati of Memphis, doing the preaching. Rev. Charles Everitt led the singing. There were 18 additions, and two others came on profession of faith but did not join the Pleasant Hill Church. Rev. R. H. Raiford is pastor.

### Mt. Pleasant Adds 9;

Mt. Pleasant Church, Amite County, had nine additions during the recent revival, seven professions of faith. Rev. B. T. Bishop of Meadville was the evangelist. Rev. H. J. McCool is the pastor.

Good attendance was maintained, reaching its height on the closing night when the crowd could not be seated in the auditorium.

The young people put on a program in the closing service in the interest of the United Dry Campaign. Also, they carried banners and placards.

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### Richmond Church Adopts Inactive List Policy

Richmond, Va. (BP) Weatherford Memorial Baptist Church in Richmond, after action in its quarterly business meeting recently, is notifying its over 1,350 members that any who do not attend the services or contribute to the church for a twelve-month period will be placed on an "inactive list."

The pastor, Rev. J. Levering Evans, said that the action means they will neither be able to vote in congregational sessions or hold a church office while on the "inactive list" but that a twenty-day notification will be given them before classing them as "inactive," thus giving them opportunity to take steps toward becoming active.

Neighboring pastors praised the Weatherford church's action as "a forward step for any church to take" and as "setting the pace for other Baptists in this area."

(Editors Note: It seems that some of the members of the church do not approve of the "inactive" label as indicated by the Religious News Service bulletin printed below).

About 50 members of Weatherford Baptist Church held a protest meeting following revision of the church's covenant to permit placing on an "inactive list" members who do not attend services or contribute for a period of 12 months.

The group said the protest was "forced upon us" by the action of Dr. J. Levering Evans, pastor of Weatherford Memorial Baptist Church. P. D. Stone was named chairman of a committee to locate a site for the dissenters to hold regular meetings.

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